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SUBJ: UN SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM'S STATEMENT AT THE
CIEC MINISTERIAL

THE FOLLOWING TWO PARAGRAPHS ARE DRAWN FROM SYG WALDHEIM'S
REMARKS AT THE CIEC MINISTERIAL (FULL TEXT DATAFAXED IO -
FRANK). THEY REFLECT (1) WALDHEIM'S GENERAL UPBEAT
APPROACH TO CIEC AND (2) HIS CALL FOR A "NEW ENERGY ORDER."

"IT IS CLEAR TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE FOLLOWED THESE
NEGOTIATIONS CLOSELY THAT A VERY REAL DRAWING TOGETHER
HAS TAKEN PLACE. THE NEGOTIATIONS HAVE PLAYED - AND PLAYED VERY
SUCCESSFULLY - THEIR CLARIFYING ROLE. THE IMPLICATIONS OF
COMPLEX PROBLEMS ARE NOW SEEN IN MORE ACCURATE PERSPECTIVE.
THE SCENARIOS FOR POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS HAVE EMERGED MORE
CLEARLY. ABOVE ALL, THE LANGUAGE BEING USED IS DIFFERENT.
DISCUSSION IS NOT LINGERING OVER THE DEFENCE OF DOCTRINAIRE
POSITIONS. IT CENTRES ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION,
AND, WHILE I DO NOT WISH TO MINIMIZE THE DIFFICULTIES,
IT MAY LEGITIMATELY BE FELT THAT THOSE DIFFICULTIES ARE
SURMOUNTABLE."

"THE CONFERENCE WAS RIGHTLY INTENDED TO BE A GENERALIZED
NEGOTIATION ON A NEW INTERNATIONAL ORDER. IT MUST NOT BE
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FORGOTTEN, HOWEVER, THAT IT HAD ITS ORIGINS IN WHAT
WAS KNOWN AS THE ENERGY CRISIS. THE ENERGY PROBLEM MUST
BE RECOGNIZED AS HAVING A GLOBAL DIMENSION WHICH CALLS
FOR INTERNATIONAL ACTION. IT WOULD SEEM THAT OUR INSTITUTIONAL
SYSTEM IS DEFICIENT WHERE THIS PROBLEM IS CONCERNED. IT
NEEDS TO BE SUPPLEMENTED BY AN INSTITUTION WHICH COULD
CONTRIBUTE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A "WORLD ENERGY ORDER"

AND WHICH SHOULD BE ENDOWED, TO THAT END, WITH CERTAIN
ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS. IF SHORTAGES ARE FEARED, THERE WILL HAVE
TO BE AN OBSERVATION AND INFORMATION SYSTEM TO COVER
ENERGY USE AND EXPLORATION, AS WELL AS RESEARCH PROGRAMMES.
IF ENERGY SOURCES ARE TO BE DIVERSIFIED, THERE MUST BE
MACHINERY THAT IS ABLE, TO SOME EXTENT, TO DIRECT RESEARCH
AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE TO VERY VARIED NEEDS, IN
THE LIGHT OF CONDITIONS WHICH DIFFER FROM ONE GEOGRAPHICAL
AREA TO ANOTHER. IF WE ARE TO TRY TO REDUCE THE NOW FORMIDABLE
COST OF DEVELOPING NEW CONVENTIONAL OR NON-CONVENTIONAL
RESOURCES, WE MUST HAVE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION SYSTEMS
WHICH EXISTING INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS DO NOT PROVIDE.
IT IS HARDLY CONCEIVABLE THAT THESE CO-OPERATION SYSTEMS
CAN BE SET UP OUTSIDE OUR UNIVERSAL ORGANIZATION."
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